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Fluechtlingsbuere Lead

Reference: HMA-22493

1. Re the Fluechtlingsbuere lead: We have debriefed Dr. Bela LISZKA on the names of the persons who work in the Hungarian Kanzlei, and have gotten the following names:

- A. Baron Imre PONGRATZ
- B. Bela BOKOR
- C. Tivadar MAROS
- D. Egon GINDRIC
- E. Arpad WITZ
- F. Jan GALBONY - a new acquisition

2. We are now running selected MOB and POB traces on these persons. For the moment we request Headquarters traces on Tivadar MAROS aka MARIS and Baron Imre PONGRATZ.

a. Re MAROS: We are in possession of EDLA 9315 and an IHB/962/54, dated 28 July 1954, entitled "AVH Suspects in West Germany", from old ARB files. The latter appears to be based directly on the former. However, the latter states that "MAROS returned to Hungary (in 1947) and performed duty with the Hungarian Intelligence, rising to the rank of Lt. Col." whereas EDLA 9315 states that he continued in service with the Army (Wehrmacht). It is thus our guess that "Hungarian Intelligence" is a mistranslation, a point Headquarters traces may clarify.

b. Re PONGRATZ (PONGRACZ): PONGRATZ came up coincidentally in our tracking down of Matyas HIVESSY (see HMA 22530). (The latter was finally traced to ODOPAL employ (as a "leg man") and when confronted on the matter on 14 Aug. by Identity A on Ficken's instructions ODOPAL denied knowledge of HIVESSY's contacting of Dr. Bela LISZKA, implied he had no authority to do so and stated he would be fired forthwith for lack of discretion.) As an incidental matter, ODOPAL mentioned to Identity A that they had an active case running against PONGRATZ whom they are certain is an HIS operative. MOB-POB held the following traces on PONGRATZ: EDLA 17939 and 12394, HUMI 4975, EDON 22841 and HMA 6060. The latter document - the only one of possible significance - is a C/6 BIV report and indicates that a relationship exists between PONGRATZ and Zoltan BARCSAY-AMANT,

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former KATPOL officer and suspected (apparently) HIS operative. (It is suggested Hqs also run traces on BARCSAY-AMANT if further tracing indicates the desirability. A unicity of ECNA 6060 is attached.)

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Attachment A - Identity - UNDER SEPARATE COVER
B - Copy of ECNA 6060

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- 2 - CCS/C w/1 Att. A U/S/C in dup.
- 2 - HOB w/1 Att. A in dup.

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